Allegation of restrictive trade practices in Maruti Udyog

347. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the MRTP Commission is enquiring into the Maruti Udyog and its authorised dealers on the allegation of restrictive trade practices; and

(b) if so, whether Government will assist the Commission by using the services of the CBI to find out the fraud committed by these authorised dealers on the consumers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABHBHAI RAMJIBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) MRTP Commission is a quasi-judicial body and devises its own procedures. Maruti Udyog Limited (MUL) is a non-Government Company.

Firing by the Officer of the Richardsons and Crudas

348. SHRI SATISHCHANDRA SITARAM PRADHAN: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware about the firing by the officer of the Richardson and Crudas;

(b) whether there are any death; and

(c) what remedial action government propose to take in this matter?

THE MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) The officer has been placed under suspension pending investigation.

Expert Committee to examine the viability of eight CPSUs

349. SHRIMATI CHANDRA KALA PANDEY:
SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether an Expert Committee was constituted to examine the viability of eight CPSUs in February, 1999;